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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

INDIAN ARMY REDUCTIONS.

Proposed Special Units.

Delhi, January 24. In connection with the Indian Army reductions referred to in cables of the 18th and 19th inst., it is understood that proposals have been sent Home for the immediate employment of officers who are about to be demobilised by the formation of special units, which would be available for service overseas and be maintained at the expense of the Imperial Government.

Meanwhile the thirty-nine regiments of Indian Cavalry are being re-formed into twenty-one by a process of amalgamation. After the completion of this scheme, thirty-five Infantry battalions will be demobilised, while the Air Force will be reduced by two squadrons, the remainder of the Force being improved.

Military circles generally condemn the weakening of the Army, which is said to be purely the outcome of the financial position, coupled with the Indian outcry at the heavy cost of the Army. Indian politicians insist that contentment of the Indians is a bigger insurance than costly armed forces.

LABOUR CONDITIONS AT SEA.

An Important International Conference.

Brussels, January 24. At the International Shipping Federation meeting, the British delegates, Mr. Havelock Wilson and Mr. Clifton Laws, representing respectively the seamen and shipowners, today discussed the eight-hour day. The meeting is significant because it is the first time in the history of Labour that two international organisations of employers and employees have met to discuss terms of agreement relating to conditions of labour. It is possible the Conference will not arrive at any binding conclusion, as a number of organisations of shipowners and seafarers are not represented, necessitating the calling of a further Conference.

The main object of the two parties at present is to solve the difficulties which prevented the International Labour Conference at Geneva last year arriving at a draft Convention for submission to Parliaments.

THE LOSS OF THE K5.

Former Member of Crew Asserts Submarine Gave Trouble Previously.

London, January 24. A former member of the crew of K5, in an interview, declares that the submarine caused trouble at Rosyth last May. While diving the submarine seemed to take charge and went to the bottom at a steep angle. They were then down two hours. Hard diving qualities generally are described as abnormal. The interview also revealed that the craft recently gave trouble between Chatham and Portsmouth.

IRISH EXECUTION POSTPONED.

London, January 24. The execution of the Cork man, Murphy, who was sentenced to death by Court Martial for participation in an ambush, has again been postponed, a third time, until February 2nd, in consequence of the hearing of the appeal not having terminated.

PETROL TANK CATCHES FIRE.

Many Casualties in American Accident.

Memphis (Tenn.), January 24. It is believed that over a score were killed and many injured through an explosion of a big petrol tank-car, which threw flaming oil over the houses of the negroes, starting a serious fire. Many occupants of the houses are missing. A spark from a chisel of a workman caulking the tank is said to have caused the accident.

AUSTRALIAN SHIPPING STRIKE ENDED.

Melbourne, January 24. A mass meeting declared the shipping strike off. A similar meeting is being held at Sydney.

Mass meetings of stewards at Sydney and Brisbane decided to resume work.

THE FYZABAD RIOTS.

Recrudescence Threatening.

Allahabad, January 25. The riotings which occurred in the Fyzabad district last week have recrudescenced. At present there are ten thousand demonstrators. More are pouring in with the alleged object of annihilating the police. A special troop train is being dispatched from Lucknow.

U.S. DIPLOMATIC SERVICE.

Proposed Embassy in China.

Washington, January 24. A sub-committee of the House of Representatives, presenting the budget for the Diplomatic and Consular Service for the ensuing fiscal year, recommended a reduction of 25 per cent. in the estimates. On the ground of emergency, the Committee provides for an Embassy in China instead of a Legation, also separate Legations at Vienna and Buda Pest in view of the separation of the Austro-Hungarian Empire.

GERMAN SECURITIES IN AMERICA.

Important Legal Decision.

Washington, January 24. The Supreme Court has upheld the authority of the Custodian of Alien Property, to seize securities deposited in the United States by German Insurance Companies to protect their American policy-holders.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE ALLIED CONFERENCE.

First Meeting in Paris.

Paris, January 24. A communique states that at the first meeting of the Conference M. Briand welcomed the delegates and briefly outlined the agenda. The Conference then proceeded with the question of disarmament, whereupon the technical experts were introduced as follows:—For France, the Minister of War (M. Barthou) and Marshal Foch, assisted by Generals Weygand and Nollet; for Britain, Sir Henry Wilson and General Bingham; for Belgium, General Marbais.

Marshal Foch summarised the conclusions of the first part of the committee which met at Versailles on December 30 and 31, and the present situation in Germany as regards troops and armaments. Generals Bingham, Nollet and Marietti also spoke.

Experts to Deal With Disarmament.

Paris, January 24. A communique issued in the afternoon says the meeting lasted three hours. The Conference decided that military, naval and air experts shall meet to-morrow under the chairmanship of Marshal Foch to draw up the measures which remain to be taken by Germany to secure complete execution of the Peace Treaty regarding disarmament, these to be reported to the Conference.

To-morrow's sitting will be devoted to the investigation of conditions in Austria and afterwards to the affairs of Greece and the East.

Sir Auckland Geddes is going to Paris to-morrow. Mr. Churchill has departed from Paris for London.

French Satisfaction.

Paris, January 24. French sources indicate that the French representatives are quite content with the progress made on the disarmament question. The opinion prevails that an Allied Note will grant an extension of two or three months of time within which Germany must conform to her disarmament undertakings.

The British Viewpoint.

Paris, January 24. The participants in the Conference are content, but from the fact that the agenda has been arranged as to dispose of the least controversial questions first, the opening day's meeting apparently accomplished less than was hoped.

It seems that the British delegates favoured consultation with the Germans before confronting the latter with final disarmament decision, but M. Briand opposed. Other delegates suggested a compromise, urging immediate determination of the policy but permitting the Germans to state their views regarding the method of carrying it out. It is generally considered that the last-named will most likely be the course subsequently adopted.

To-morrow's agenda includes the question of the economic reconstruction of Austria regarding which the French have prepared a scheme upon which the highest hopes of a favourable agreement are based.

EUROPE'S DEBT TO AMERICA.

Likely to Become Bigger.

Washington, January 24. Dr. George Warren, Professor of Economics at Cornell University, giving evidence before the House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee, predicted that Europe's debt to the United States by 1924 would amount to twenty billion dollars. He said European business men now owe American firms nearly four billion dollars. Europe must continue to send products, irrespective of the United States' import duties. He opined that the rate of exchange would not improve yet and would tend to increase the European debt.

EXPORT TAX ON MEXICAN OIL.

Washington, January 24. An increase of approximately 30 per cent. in the export tax on oil, provided for in the Petroleum Tax revision proposals of the Mexican Government, is expected to become effective in February unless the producers can convince the Government that the tax is unjust.

FEDERAL CONTROL OF MEAT-PACKING INDUSTRIES.

Washington, January 25. The Senate passed a Bill for Federal regulation of the meat-packing and allied industries.

BELGIAN LOAN IN AMERICA OVER-SUBSCRIBED.

New York, January 24. The \$30,000,000 loan negotiated by the Belgian Government with the Guaranty Trust Company and Messrs Morgan has been over-subscribed. The loan was issued at par, with interest at 8 per cent.

GYMNASTICS.

St. Joseph's College Competition.

A very interesting gymnastic competition was held yesterday evening in the grounds of St. Joseph's College. The competition took the form of vaulting the horse, and some promising young gymnasts were to be seen. The duties of Judge were performed by Sgt. Whitbread, of the Wiltshire. Rgt., and although the task was a very difficult one, he proved himself very capable in that position.

The exercises for the competition were set by the students' popular physical training instructor, Staff Sgt. Hunt, of the M. P. S. C. The winners of the three classes were declared as follows:—Seniors, Peters; Intermediate, Chan Fook; Juniors, Silva. The vaulting was of high order and showed that the boys had confidence in their instructor. The diminutive Silva (he was hardly as high as the horse itself) gained the admiration of the spectators for his skill. At the conclusion, Capt. McGrath praised the students for the progress they had made, which he said was no doubt due to the perseverance and ability of their instructor.

BILLIARDS.

Garrison Inter-Mess League.

The results of the matches played during the week ending Saturday last, are as follows:—Warders 1; R.G.A. Victoria 5. Garrison Mess 3; Wiltz Sgts. 3. R.G.A. Lyman 5; R.G.A. Kowloon 1. H.K. Police 5; R.A.M.C. 1. P.O.'s 5; R.G.A. Stonecutters 1.

It will be learned with regret that the Warders have withdrawn from the League. This step has been necessary as they are now unable to find a team as several of their players proceeded home on leave by the "Bremen". The teams still due to play the Warders will be awarded the match and credited with 5 games.

The Wiltz were away to the Garrison Mess and very creditably walked away with one of the points. The visitors gave a trial to Evans, one of their younger players and he fully justified his inclusion in the team. Stanley was the pick of the home team.

The P.O.'s experienced little difficulty in disposing of the R.G.A. Stonecutters. The naval team have practically the whole of the China Squadron to choose from at the present time. It is hoped this will be remedied before the commencement of the next competition.

The League Table now stands as under:—

	P.W.L.D.	pts	pts
P.O.'s	16	120	4 75 21 28
R.G.A. Victoria	14	120	2 67 17 26
Garrison	15	83	4 52 38 20
Wiltz Sgts.	14	73	4 50 34 18
R.G.A. Stonecutters	14	84	2 49 35 18
H.K. Police	15	63	5 48 42 19
R.G.A. Lyman	14	49	1 35 49 9
R.E.'s	14	38	3 34 50 9
R.A.M.C.	14	121	17 67 3

The fixtures for the week ending Saturday next, are:—R.G.A. Victoria v. H.K. Police, R.G.A. Lyman v. Garrison Mess, R.G.A. Kowloon v. R.A.M.C. Wiltz Sgts. v. P.O.'s, R.E.'s v. Warders, R.G.A. Stonecutters—a bye.

The Gunners at Victoria should give the Police a good game, but the latter are expected to take the points. The Garrison Mess are away to Lyman and should win although the table may not be to their liking. The P.O.'s who are away to the Wiltz should have little difficulty in adding to their long list of successes.

MEMO.

Palace Hotel Handicap.

Playing at the Palace Hotel last night, T. Reeves (150) beat Simon Tse Yan (125), 250-240.

The best breaks were—Reeves, 22, 18, 17, 17; Tse Yan, 40, 20, 21, 16.

R. A. Tyrrell (100) beat F. C. Coleman (100), 250-133.

Best breaks: Coleman, 17, 15. To-night's Games.

6 p.m. J. Griffin v. Sgt. Allen. 9 p.m. E. S. Medina v. J. H. Tai.

ANOTHER "SLAVERY" CASE.

Magistrate Not Satisfied With Evidence.

Another girl "slavery" case came up for hearing before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Magistracy this morning, the alleged victim being a diminutive individual whose appearance would give the impression that she was much younger than her age, stated as being 13 years.

Discovered by a lagoon crying in Staunton Street, she was taken to the Central Police Station, and from there sent to the Government Civil Hospital where Dr. W. A. B. Moore, the Superintendent, made a medical examination, and testified that she was suffering from scabs on the head and face, a boil on the back of the right wrist, linear scabs on the upper part of the left arm, similar indications, as well as sores, on the right side, and finally an abscess on the calf of the right leg. There were also old sores on the left thigh.

These findings were given in evidence by Dr. Moore at the Magistracy this morning, when the girl's mistress was charged with ill-treating her.

"Were any of these injuries due to natural causes?" his Worship asked. Witness—I cannot say what they were due to. They might be due to scratching. They were all old sores, nothing fresh.

His Worship:—Do you attribute them to illness. Witness:—There was no definite skin disease.

Was she well-nourished? Yes; she seems fairly well nourished.

You don't feel competent to express any opinion as to the cause of her condition?—No, your Worship.

Sub-Inspector McKay, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, who had charge of the case, informed the Magistrate that the girl had made a statement to the Department:

The statement, as made by the girl to the Department, was to the effect that she had to work from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. every day. The marks on her head were due to a beating she received with a piece of firewood. "Sometimes she beat me with the iron back of the chopper. She beat me on the ankle. The marks on my mouth were made by a pair of iron pincers. Yesterday morning I got up late, as I only went to bed at 2 a.m. I had to get out and knit scarves at 7 a.m. When I got up late I was afraid that I would receive another beating and ran out of the house."

In her statement to the Police the defendant revealed that she bought the girl some years ago for \$5. The child's mother is dead, but her father is still living, in Hongkong, but he is without employment.

The girl, whose name is Chan Tai, was put into the witness box, where the Magistrate had the greatest difficulty in inducing her to speak. Between intervals of snivelling, the following statements were eventually brought out in examination:—

The Magistrate:—Are you a daughter or *mui tsai* of the defendant?

The witness:—*Mui tsai*.

His Worship:—Was your mistress good to you?—My master was good.

Was your mistress as good?—No; bad.

How was your mistress not good?—(The girl did not reply but broke into sobs).

His Worship:—You won't have to go back to her; don't be afraid.

The girl:—She beat me.

With what did she beat you?—Sometimes with a rattan and sometimes with a piece of firewood.

How did you come to have those sores?—I scratched myself, and the skin broke. Those on the body, I mean.

How many times did she beat you last month, once?—More than once.

How many times, five or ten times?—I could not remember how many times.

Asked to reply to the girl's allegations, the defendant said that on one occasion she gave

PIRACY.

Armed Robbers as Passengers.

When the trading launch Kung Hong left Hongkong on Saturday for Shan Mi, she had on board twenty armed men, who, disguised as passengers, had given the slip to the Hongkong Police, and distributed themselves amongst the other passengers. Their intentions were made known when, on nearing the Tang Fu Pai rocks, in Chinese waters, these men suddenly produced their revolvers, and held up the crew and passengers, to the number of over one hundred. Paying but scant attention to the cargo, whose nature they had doubtless made themselves acquainted with before setting out on their enterprise, the robbers took to seizing the vessel's armament, comprising four revolvers, and a Winchester rifle. From the persons of the passengers, the sum of \$9,000 was netted by the robbers, who also helped themselves to a further amount of \$1,000 belonging to the crew.

Near Fan Wu Kong, two junks came alongside the launch, and took the robbers and their booty ashore. The launch, relieved of these unwelcome visitors, resumed her voyage to Shan Mi, from where a report of the piracy was subsequently forwarded to the Chinese authorities.

The Kung Hong returned to the Colony yesterday.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2s. 10.11/16d.

THE WEATHER.

2 p.m. Barometer:—30.00. Temperature:—72. Humidity:—76.

LIGHTING-UP TIME.

Lighting-up time to-day is 6.17 p.m.

DON'T FORGET.

To-day.

Lawn Tennis Association.—Annual meeting at H. K. C. C. Pavilion—5.30 p.m.
St. Joseph's College.—Prize Day—4.30 p.m.
Theatre Royal.—Denniston Players present "Eyes of Youth."
Coronet Theatre—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.
Hongkong Theatre—5.15, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

To-morrow.

Hongkong Benevolent Society.—Annual meeting at City Hall—noon.
Coronet Theatre—5.15, and 9.15 p.m.
Hongkong Theatre—5.15, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

the girl one dollar to buy rice. She stole fifty cents, and denied having done so. The defendant's convictions, however, were confirmed by the fact that she caught the girl dropping a ten-cent piece from her girdle, and when asked how she came by it, the girl replied:—"An Indian gave it to me."

His Worship, (to the girl):—Did you steal the money?

The defendant, interposing, said:—Yes.

The Court Interpreter:—It is not for you to make that reply.

The girl:—I never stole your money; how could I?

After considering the evidence, the Magistrate observed:—I don't think I can convict on this evidence. Dr. Moore said she was fairly well-nourished. The girl said she scratched herself. There is no reason why she should say that.

Sob-Inspector McKay.—Her statement is quite different from what she gave to the S.C.A.

His Worship, without calling for this statement, discharged the defendant on the ground that the evidence as given by the girl in Court was not sufficient for a conviction.

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JAPAN'S FOREIGN
AFFAIRS.Address by the Foreign
Minister.

By courtesy of the Japanese
Consul-General we are enabled
to give the text of an address to
the Diet delivered at the end of
last week by the Foreign Minister
(Count Uchida) as follows:—

I desire first to dwell on questions
relative to the enforcement of the
several Treaties of Peace. The
German, Austrian and Bulgarian
Treaties have all been in force for
some time now. Diplomatic re-
presentatives have recently been
appointed to Germany and Aus-
tria. In resuming normal re-
lations with these countries, we
are making efforts in concert with
the Allied Governments for the
enforcement of the Peace Treaty.
Among countries which have come
into existence as a result of the
great war, and to which we did
not hitherto send any diplomatic
agents we have decided to estab-
lish legations in Poland, the
Greece Minister having recently
been appointed to Poland. It be-
ing considered necessary also to
have representatives in Czechos-
lovakia and Rumania, expendi-
tures needed for that purpose have
been inserted in the Budget now
submitted to you.

On July 10th, 1920, when the
German Treaty took effect, the
League had a membership
of forty-seven States, represent-
ing three-fourths of the world's
population. Now that Austria
and Bulgaria have been admitted
into the League, even if we tem-
porarily abandon the hope of
Russia, which is still in a chaotic
condition, coming in, it is sincere-
ly to be hoped that Germany, if
her willingness to fulfil interna-
tional obligations, especially those
entailed by the Peace Treaty, is
generally recognised, may before
long be given admittance likewise.
In this connection the Japanese
Government, in common with the
Allied Governments, very keenly
desire that for the peace of the
world and the general welfare of
humanity, the United States will
see its way clear to join its efforts
with other nations for the realiza-
tion of the lofty aim of the
League.

Although the efforts of the
League for the past twelve
months have mainly been devoted
to the perfecting of its organiza-
tion and strengthening of its
foundation, it has also exerted it-
self for the enforcement of the
Peace Treaty and for interna-
tional finance, economics, labour,
communications, sanitation, statis-
tics, and like cultural works.
The League is as yet at an initial
stage in development, and, more-
over, the international political
situation has not quite regained
permanent equilibrium since the
war. It is to be expected, there-
fore, that the League should still
have something to be desired,
both in organization and working,
and that each one of the member
states may be dissatisfied in one
respect or another. It is indeed
inevitable that an international
undertaking of the magnitude of
the League of Nations should fail
to attain perfection in a single
day, but all nations of the world
should feel it jointly incumbent
upon them to see to the future
development and eventual perfect-
ing of the League. The functions
of the League are performed by
a Council, Assembly, Secretariat
and various expert commissions.
The Council met eleven times in
the course of last year at Paris,
London, Rome, San Sebastian,
Brussels and Geneva. The As-
sembly was in session for a month
from the fifteenth of November,
last year, at Geneva, the seat of
the League. What is worthy of
special note is that at these
sessions of Council and
Assembly, representatives of the
member States have invariably
evinced a willingness to put forth
their efforts for the cause of the
League instead of confining their
attention to the interests of the
individual nations they represented.
It is principally due to the
spirit of concert and harmony
manifested on these occasions
that the League now has a fair
promise of life and development.

In regard to the reduction of
armaments provided for in the
Peace Treaty, the Military Com-
mission of the League, since its
organization last May, has been
making investigations into the
practical phase of the question.
As a matter of principle dis-
armament is to be welcomed for
the general welfare of the human
race, and the Japanese Govern-
ment are paying special attention
to the question. The matter, how-
ever, has very important and com-
plex bearings for each nation, and

it is to be apprehended that
realization of this end may be
found impossible unless all
nations act in one accord and in
good faith.

The project of an International
Court of Justice was resolved
upon both by the Council and
Assembly, chiefly on the basis of
the original draft adopted by the
Conference of International juris-
consults held last year at the
Hague. The plan is now being
submitted to the several Govern-
ments for approval, and the Court
is expected to be established at
no distant date. The passing of
this resolution is the most impor-
tant of the results achieved at the
first session of the League As-
sembly. That international con-
flicts should to as great a degree
possible be settled by peace-
ful means is, of course, highly
desirable, and the decision to es-
tablish an International Court for
that end is most welcome.

Questions of amending the
League Covenant, of economic
blockade as a principal means of
punishment by the League, and of
mandates to be exercised on
behalf of the League, have each
been assigned to expert commis-
sions which have been appointed
as auxiliary organs of the
League Council. The field of
activities of the League will thus
gradually be enlarged with time.

Before passing on to another
theme, I may be permitted to state
that the aim of the League of
world peace and the promoting
of international co-operation, is
quite consistent with the policy
followed throughout by Japan,
and that it is her intention, as one
of the five great nations, invariably
to make endeavours in hearty co-
operation with other powers, for
attainment of that lofty aim of the
League.

The next question of the man-
date calls for few words. Under
the Peace Treaty, which is based

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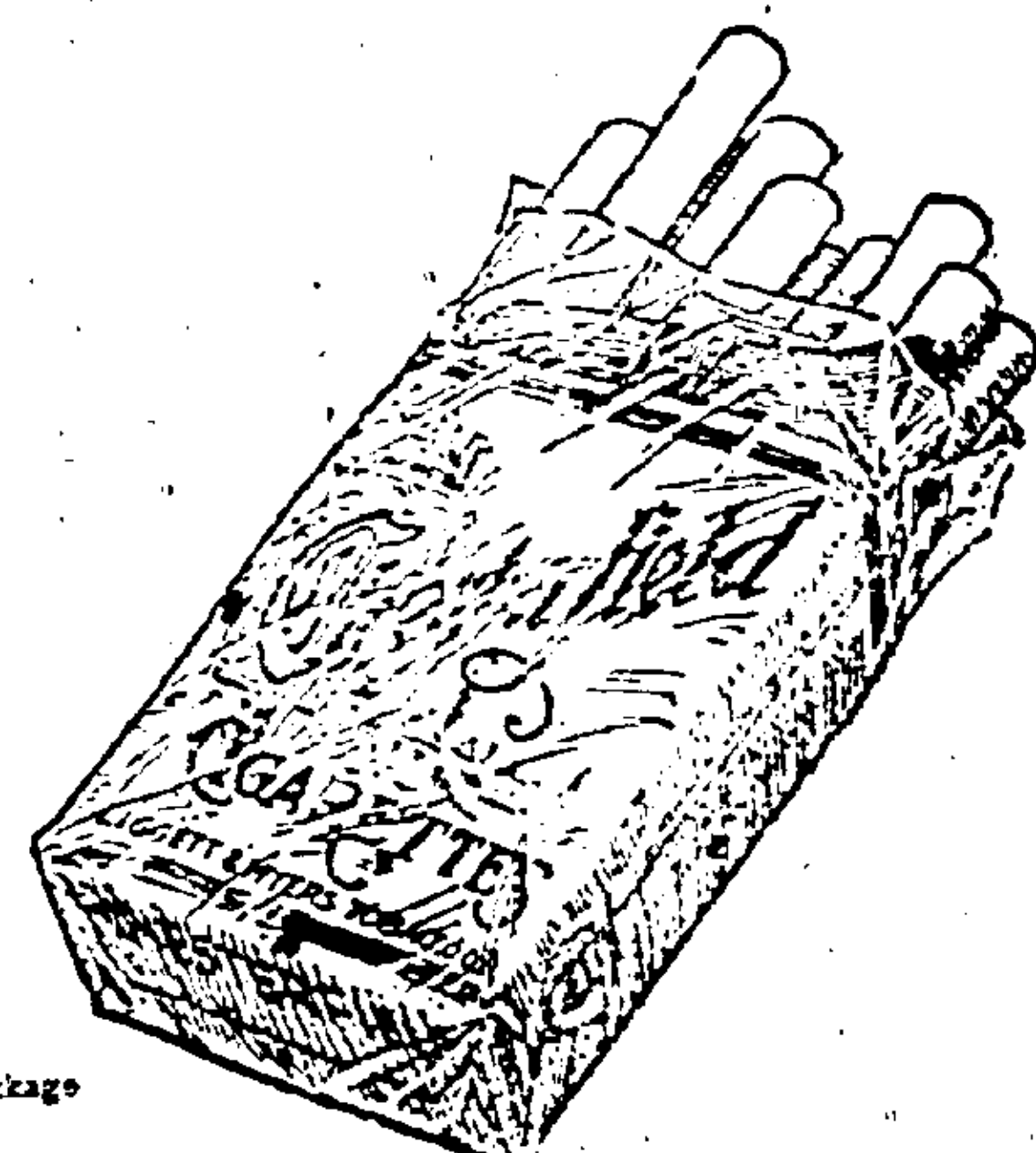
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17th December at a meeting of the eleventh session of the League Council, the Japanese representative made a declaration on the lines of the above understanding and reserved for Japan the right to resume negotiations with the British Government concerning the treatment of Japanese subjects in the territories affected. Terms and formulae of mandates over former German possessions in the South Pacific having now been determined, the Japanese Government are about to enter upon formal control and administration in pursuance of the terms of mandate over the group of islands assigned. I am happy to be able to state that it is the determination of the Government to spare no efforts in the discharge of this noble mission of civilisation in promoting the welfare and development of the people of these territories and thus fully to deserve the trust that the League members have placed in Japan.

As to revision and renewal of the Anglo-Japanese agreement of Alliance, the Japanese Government has been giving careful consideration to the question with the view especially to its relation to the Covenant of the League of Nations. They entered into a conference with the British Government, and a frank exchange of views on this matter took place, both in London and Tokyo. In view of Article 6 of the existing agreement of Alliance, it was decided to address to the League of Nations a joint notification to the effect that the Governments of Japan and Great Britain had been led to the conclusion that the Anglo-Japanese agreement of July, 1911, although in harmony with the spirit of the Covenant of the League of Nations, was not entirely consistent with the letter of that Covenant, and that they accordingly recognized the principle that, if it was said the agreement was to be continued after July, 1921, it must be in a form not inconsistent with the Covenant. Notification was conveyed in a note, dated July 28, 1920. The principle to guide the Japanese Government in revising the agreement is at present the subject of serious study, regard being paid to the articles of the League Covenant as declared in the joint notification and to many important changes which have taken place in the aspects of affairs since the conclusion of the present agreement.

That this agreement of alliance has largely and distinctly contributed to the peace, stability and welfare of the entire Far East is fully realized by both nations, and not only is a continuance and preservation of the wholesome spirit of this Alliance for a long time to come desired by most thoughtful of the two peoples, but it is, I am sure, in perfect harmony with the high ideals of the League of Nations.

Concerning the organization of the New Consortium, looking to financial aid to China, I had the privilege at the last session to state before you how a clear understanding was reached between the respective banking groups and Governments concerned, and how the new organization was fast taking shape. Last October representatives of various banking groups, met in conference at New York, signed the final agreement and discussed the policy of the Consortium and other details of practice, thus bringing to completion the organization of the Consortium. While the activities of the Consortium in future are necessarily dependent upon negotiation and co-operation between the organization itself and the Chinese Government, it may not be out of place now that the Consortium has been completed, to make a remark on its mission. The object of the Consortium is purely economic; in other words what it aims at is to assist and facilitate the economic development of China and thereby to contribute to the happiness and interest of the Chinese people on one hand and to afford equal opportunity for the private enterprise of nations concerned on the other.

At a time when the Powers interested are thus joining their hands to promote the welfare of the Chinese people by avoiding needless competition among themselves, and by further strengthening their friendship and concert, it is a matter to be deeply deplored, especially by Japan who, as her neighbour is peculiarly interested, that the complete and peaceful unification of China is

not yet in sight. Last summer when the political situation in China began to give signs of further complication, and later when things came to such a pass that the northern part of China became involved in armed conflicts, the Japanese Government, besides early warning their officials and nationals in China to refrain from any acts or activities that might be regarded as taking part in political strife, published a declaration on their policy of scrupulous impartiality and their attitude of strict fairness. The situation in China is now at turning point, and the awakening of the people is indeed worthy of note. That the path of China is beset with difficulties should command the deep sympathy of the people and Government of Japan, while China's development is a thing very eagerly hoped for by Japan which stands in such close relationship with her. Not only for China's sake alone but for the general welfare and peace of the world, it is devoutly to be desired that China should speedily recover peace and unity.

In reviewing the conditions of the Far East and especially of China, I deeply regret to have to refer to a calamitous event which occurred at Hungchen last October. On the details of the event and the circumstances which constrained the Japanese Government to despatch troops, both for self-defence and for the protection of Japanese residents, a public statement was made at the time. These Japanese troops have proven equal to the task expected of them, and the Chinese Government, on the other hand, actuated by a spirit of co-operation, have been transferring suitable contingents to Chientao for the purpose of clearing the locality of outlaws and guarding against future disturbances. The Japanese Government, therefore, in pursuance of their declaration, have decided to withdraw their troops. At the same time steps are now being taken with a view to a proper settlement of this unfortunate affair. It is also their intention to provide fully, in co-operation with the Chinese Government, for the tranquility of the districts affected and for the protection of Japanese subjects. With Czechoslovak troops withdrawn from Transbaikalia, the Japanese Government, consistently with their repeated declarations, withdrew their troops from that region. In districts around Vladivostok, where the menace to peace was still felt, and where the safety of many resident Japanese had to be provided for, and in Habarovsk, which is a point of strategic importance on the way to the Province of Sakhalin, we had to keep sufficient forces until such time as tranquillity was restored in these regions. As soon as the situation around Habarovsk began to show a degree of stability, we withdrew our troops from that district in September last.

The political situation of Eastern Siberia underwent various vicissitudes during the course of last half year. There were in existence, since last spring, four local governments at Vladivostok and other centres. Time gradually became ripe during last fall for the amalgamation of these local political bodies, until in November last what is called the Amalgamation Assembly was held at Chita. This Assembly declared the independence of the Far Eastern Republic. Chita was chosen for the seat of central government, and the various political bodies were relegated to the position of local autonomy. It was also decided that a Constitutional Assembly should be held on 25th January. As a result of this amalgamation the Provisional Government at Vladivostok turned its authority over to the Central Government, about the middle of last December. The Government of the Far Eastern Republic claims to stand for anti-communistic democracy and has declared itself in favour of friendly relationship with foreign countries, especially with its near neighbours. What the new Government may do in practice is for the future to reveal.

The political stability of Russia in general is earnestly hoped for by Japan as her good neighbour.

If it is the keenest desire of the Japanese Government that this troubled area should be unified on a sound basis and be restored to complete order.

The historic good relationship between Japan and the United States needs no reiteration at this time of day. The relations between the two nations, however, have to-day greatly increased, both in closeness and importance from a political, economic, social and various other points of view. It is true that this friendly

relationship is not without occasional mingling of unpleasantness; that is almost inevitable in the complexity of international relations. But I am firmly of opinion that fundamentally relations between Japan and America are as cordial as ever, and that there are no insurmountable obstacles, such as might disturb the basic factors which govern that relationship. Moreover, I am happy to notice that in recent years popular understanding between the two peoples has been greatly helped by close and frequent contact of influential men of both countries. I desire to express my appreciation of the valuable efforts of these people, which I hope will not be allowed to slacken in future.

I have to dwell here on an unfortunate event which has occurred in our relations with the United States. Last November at the general election of the United States, the State of California passed through the initiative Alien Land Law. The contents of the law are now generally known and may need no explanation here. In a word the new land law is the cognate law of 1913 made more drastic and severe. That it is aimed at Japanese and is unjust and discriminatory, cannot be denied. The regret which the Japanese Government expressed at the legislation of 1913, is therefore, still more keenly entertained by them at this new legislation. This question of land law, however, is not one of today or yesterday. It has a long history and complex and delicate bearings. It is impossible to solve the problem from the standpoint of one side alone. Principally for these reasons the difficulty arising between Japan and America from the legislation of 1913 has remained unsettled to this day. In dealing with this matter, therefore, the Japanese Government have from the outset exercised the closest care. Not only antecedent to the passage of the law did they take the proper and well-divided steps, but recognition from the higher standpoint of Japanese-American friendship and with ample regard to the close and important relations of interest between the two nations, the urgency of final solution of the difficulties caused by such unfortunate and unpleasant events, they caused their representative to open a discussion with the American authorities. Frank and free exchange of views has since been going on on the various points calling for examination and debate. Though it is regretted we are not yet in position to publish the results of these discussions, it is the sincere desire of the Japanese Government that a solution compatible with the honour and interests of both countries may finally be arrived at.

CATHOLIC WAR MEMORIAL

The *Religion of Faith*, after agreeing with the opinion expressed in the last issue of *The Book* regarding the scheme for the formation of a War Memorial, states: "In our opinion, and we are certain that we interpret the wish of the Catholics of this Colony, no other monument would be more suitable than a permanent and useful monument, and as there is at present a great movement for the establishment of a high grade college in Hongkong, under the direction of the teachers of the illustrious Society of Jesus, we repeat what we said in No. 11 of our magazine, vol. 5th, March 1919, that nothing appears to us more advantageous and more likely to benefit the whole community than our generous support and entire adhesion to their movement."

WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

A Kingston Magistrate to a policeman—In using the word "lady" you mean—? The policeman—A female, sir.

A man informed the Woolwich magistrate that the "presbyterians" urged a policeman to release his hold on his throat. The magistrate—You mean pedestrians.

Addressing the jury at the Old Bailey counsel said the reason barristers had to be clean-shaven was possibly because a moustache impeded the voice. Even if they went back to the days when they wore whiskers and beards, the upper lip was always shaven.

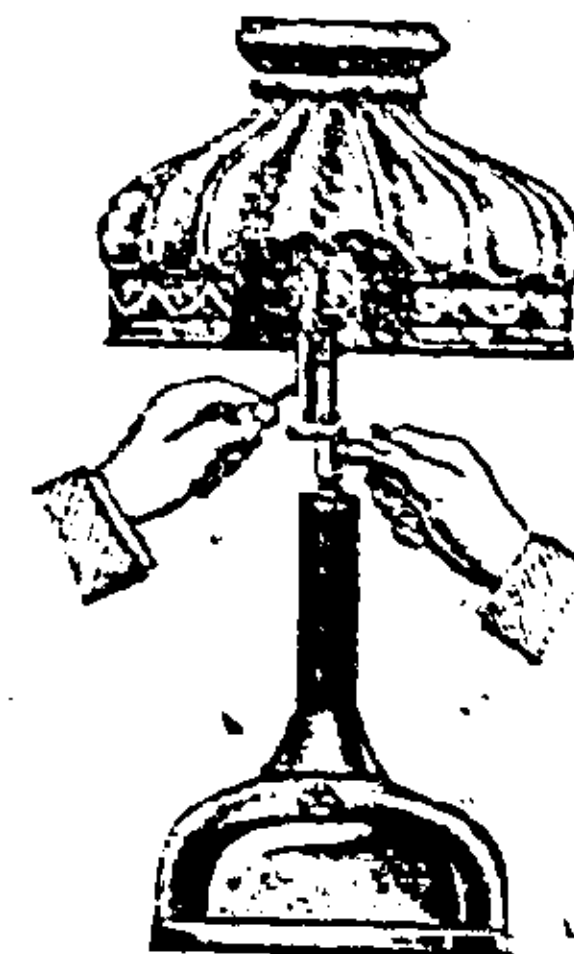
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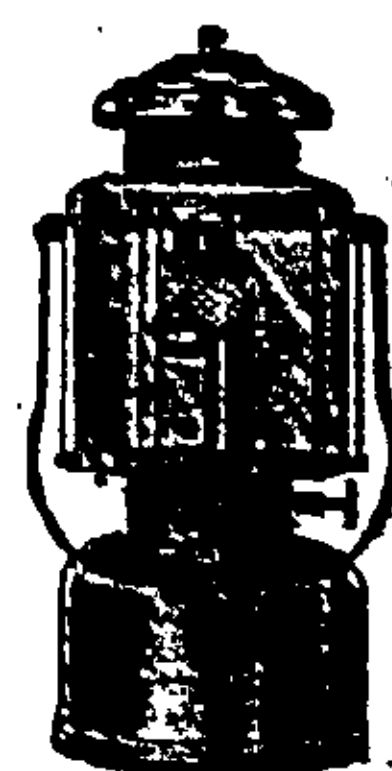
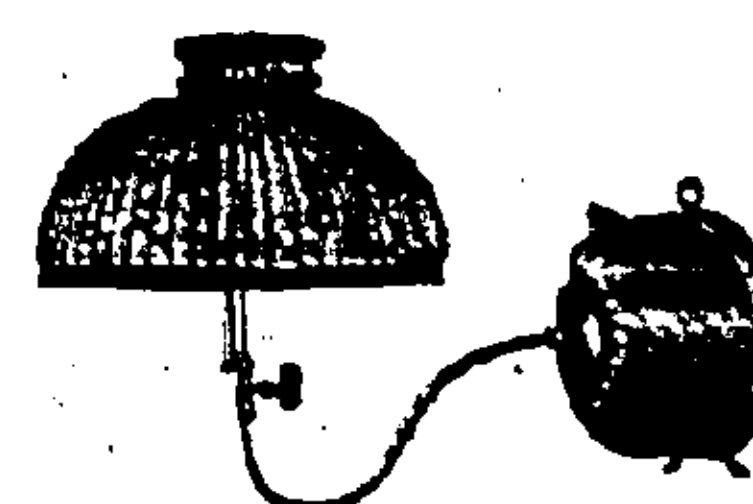
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RACE WEEK.

Dinner Dances will be held on the following dates—

Wednesday, 23rd February 1921.
Saturday, 26th February 1921.

DERBY DAY.

Thursday, 24th February, 1921
FANCY DRESS BALL AND SUPPER.

(Fancy Dress optional)

Tickets 5s.—Per head including supper and refreshments. (No view of the fact that the accommodation will be limited, and in order to avoid overcrowding intending patrons are advised to book early.)

NOTICE.

THE NATIONAL LOAN OF THE THIRD YEAR OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (1914) \$16,000,000 AND SUPPLEMENTARY ISSUE OF \$8,000,000 AND

THE NATIONAL LOAN OF THE FOURTH YEAR OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (1915) \$24,000,000.

On the 6th June, 1917, the undersigned notified Subscribers to the above two loans that in pursuance of arrangements made with the Chinese Government, the loan service as regards interest payments would in future be adequately secured.

In regard to the redemption of the loans it was impossible at the time to make any announcement. The Memorandum of 1916 affected the Loan Service, and, although drawings have been proceeded with as funds permitted, Redemption has been irregular and behind the scheduled dates.

Arrangements have now been made which will enable annual drawings of each loan to be undertaken until their extinction. In 1924 in the case of the 4th Year Loan and 1925 in the case of the 3rd Year Loan.

The Ministry of Finance will notify in due course the date of the drawings to take place this year with date and place of repayment.

F. A. AGLEN,

Inspector

General of Customs.

Inspectorate General

of Customs.

Peking, 14th January, 1921.

CATHEDRAL WAR MEMORIAL.

Officers of the British Mercantile Marine who would like to have seats allotted to them in the Cathedral at the unveiling of the above memorial on Sunday next 30th January, at 10.30 a.m. should send in their names before Wednesday evening next to the Chaplain, the Seamen's Institute.

LADIES' RECREATION CLUB.

A general meeting will be held at the City Hall on Wednesday February 2nd at 12 noon.

Your attendance is Specially requested

DOROTHY DIGBY,

Hon. Secretary.

WAR MEMORIAL.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

For the erection by Public Subscription, of a building to be run on Y.M.C.A. lines, to be called the "War Memorial Institute" and to be managed for the joint use of the Navy, the Army and Civilians by a Joint Board of Directors.

A portion of the sum raised will be devoted to the erection of a permanent stone memorial which will be put in hand at an early date.

Lists may be found at—
Messrs. Lane Crawford
Messrs. Kelly & Walsh
Messrs. Moutrie
Messrs. Wm. Powell Ltd.
The Hongkong Club
The Hongkong Cricket Club
The Club Lusitano
The Engineers' Institute
The Victoria Recreation Club
The Kowloon Cricket Club
The Kowloon Bowling Club
The Peak Club
The Club de Rejoie
The Craigengower Club

M. J. BREEN,

Hon. Secretary War Memorial Committee.

NOTICE.

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's offices Victoria Buildings on Friday 4th February 1921 at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY 24th January to FRIDAY 4th February both days inclusive during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE

Secretary to

The Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.

General Agents for

The Kowloon Land & Building Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1921.

NOTICE.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE is hereby given that a General Meeting of the Members of the above Club will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the 1st of February 1921, at 5.30 p.m. to consider the question of admitting Ladies as Members and/or Subscribers to the Club. Should there be a majority of three-fourths (or approximately so) in favour Extraordinary General Meetings will be called to pass and confirm resolutions making the necessary alterations to the Articles of Association.

By Order

L. S. GREENHILL,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1921.

NOTICE.

A Meeting of the Hongkong Basket Ball Association will be held at 5.30 p.m. in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. on Wednesday January 26th, in order to elect officers for the year and to make the necessary arrangements for the Basket Ball League.

All those who are interested in Basket Ball are cordially invited to attend.

N. TEESDALE

MACKINTOSH,

President

Hongkong Basket Ball Association.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Wednesday, the 26th January 1921,

commencing at 11.30 a.m.

at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

(For account of the concerned)

A Quantity of Wines and Spirits

Comprising—

Brandy, Whisky, Gin, Sherry,

Port, Claret, Burgundy, Peppermint, White Wine, Peach Cordial,

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NOTICE.

THE SHELL TRANSPORT & TRADING CO., LTD.

An Interim Dividend of 2/- per ordinary share free of Income Tax has been declared on account of the year 1920. It is payable in London on the 5th January, next. Coupon No. 36.

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(Signed) W. H. BELL.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday January 28th 1921 at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY 19th January to FRIDAY 28th January both days inclusive during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE

Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1921.

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION CO., LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday January 28th 1921 at 11.50 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY January 19th to FRIDAY January 28th both days inclusive during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE

Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1921.

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday 28th January 1921 at 11.40 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY January 19th to FRIDAY January 28th both days inclusive during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1921.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday 28th January 1921 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th December 1920.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY 19th January to FRIDAY 28th January both days inclusive during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE

Secretary

to the General Agents,

Hongkong, 12th January, 1921.

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TO THE PUBLIC OF HONGKONG.

That handy and useful publication, The Hongkong Directory and Blotter, 1921, is now in press and the first numbers will be ready in a few days. Orders now in hand will be fulfilled according to date of receipt. To avoid disappointment all others requiring copies are requested to send their orders at once. This is necessary owing to the greatly increased demand for this popular Directory, and on account of the much increased cost of production.

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12th January, 1921.

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HONGKONG WAR MEMORIAL.

Ex-Officers wishing to attend the Service in connection with the unveiling of the above Memorial are requested to communicate as soon as possible with—

Brig. Gen. E. B. MACNAUGHTEN,

B.A.T. Co.

Seats will be allotted to them in the Cathedral and they should wear Service Medals, Miniature Medals or Ribbons.

The Service will take place on Sunday 30th, at 10.30 a.m.

THE DIOCESAN BOY'S SCHOOL, HONGKONG.

A general Meeting of Old Boys

will be held at the School on Tuesday February 1st, 1921 at 8.30 p.m.

Agenda—To discuss Rules & Suggestions drawn up by the temporary Committee.

To form an Old Diocesan Association, to adopt rules and to elect Committee and Officers.

W. T. FEATHERSTONE,

Headmaster.

NOTICE.

Intimation is hereby given that no dividends will be paid on shares left standing in the name of the undersigned after 31st March, 1921.

Holders of such shares are accordingly requested to have same transferred forthwith.

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Hongkong, 22nd January, 1921.

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Notice is hereby given that as from the 1st day of February next Mr. William Eric Hale will take charge of the above Company's business in Hongkong as Acting Manager.

R. H. P. KEWLEY,

Local Manager.

The Liverpool & London and Globe Insurance Co., Ltd.

22nd January, 1920.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

ANNUAL RIFLE MEETING

1921.

All Comers' Competition. This will be fired at King's Park Range on Saturday, 5th February. Squadding tickets have been issued and Competitors will fire at the times stated thereon.

Revolver Competitions. (Open and Limited) will be fired during the Meeting as follows:—

Saturday, 29th January

1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday, 30th January

1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday, 5th February

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday, 6th February

9.30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Members of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps requiring tips on the Range on Saturday 5th or Sunday 6th February are requested to notify the Quartermaster not later than noon on Tuesday, 1st February. Tips and refreshments will be obtainable for cash only.

G. F. E. RAPSON,

Br-Major.

Adjutant, H. V. D. Corps.

Hongkong, 23th January, 1921.

DEBTS DUE BY AUSTRIAN & BULGARIAN NATIONALS.

British nationals resident in this Colony who have any claims against Austrian and Bulgarian nationals as defined in Government Notifications Nos. 551 and 557 published in the Government Gazette of November 5th and 12th, 1920, should communicate with the undersigned without delay.

(Sd.) J. D. LLOYD,

Administrator of Austrian and Bulgarian Property.

Courts of Justice

24th January, 1921.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Saturday, the 29th Jan., 1921

commencing at 11.30 a.m.

at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

(for account of the concerned)

140 cases Salamander *** Brandy

25 cases Charles Heid sick Champagne (qts.)

13 Barrels Claret

5 cases Sandemanns Invalid Port

8 cases Madrona Port

7 cases Glenridge California White Wine

9 cases Rockdale Wire

6 cases Sauterne

8 cases Chablis

and

An Assortment of other Wines and Spirits

comprising—

Brandy, Whisky, Gin, Sherry,

Port, Claret, Burgundy, White Wine, Peppermint, Peach Cordial, Apricot Cordial, Creme de Cacao, Beer, Stout, etc. etc.

N.B. All the above to be sold without reserve, to close accounts.

Terms: Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.

Auctioneers.

NOTICE.

The Shareholders of the Banque Industrielle de Chine are herewith informed that an interim dividend of Frs. 20. per share will be paid from February 1st, 1921, on presentation of their certificates at the Head Office, in Paris, and at any of its agencies.

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"HELENUS"	8th Mar.	London, Amsterdam & Hamburg
"STENTOR"	11th Mar.	London, Amsterdam & Antwerp

LIVERPOOL SERVICE

"ANCHISES"	5th Feb.	Liverpool & Glasgow
"KNIGHT TEMPLAR"	18th Feb.	Genoa, Havre & Liverpool
"LACON"	16th Feb.	Marseilles & Liverpool
"TITAN"	1st Mar.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow

PACIFIC SERVICE

"PROTESILAUS"	1st Feb.	Victoria, Seattle, Tacoma and
"TEUCER"	15th Feb.	Vancouver
"TALHYBIUS"	10th Mar.	

NEW YORK SERVICE

"AGAMEMNON"	via Suez	25th January.
"ANCHISES"	5th Feb.	at noon for Liverpool
"MENTOR"	22nd Feb.	for London
"BIRSEAS"	1st March	for London
"STENTOR"	11th March	for London
"IDOMENEUS"	12th April	for Liverpool
"PYRRHUS"	3rd May	for London
"ANCHISES"	21st June	for Liverpool
"MENTOR"	8th July	for London
"BIRSEAS"	19th July	for London

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Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, Today.

Goods not cleared by the 29th January, 1921, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour on Tuesday & Friday. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

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Goods not cleared by 29th Jan., 1921, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on Saturday, January 29th, 1921 at 10 a.m.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer and/or Godown.

All claims must be presented within four weeks of the ship's arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance whatsoever will be effected.

C. T. SURRIDGE,
Acting Agent.

Primer's Building, Ground Floor,
Hongkong, 24th January, 1920.

NEWS AND VIEWS.

Mrs. Julia Vegrier, a modest wife of a modest working man of Marseilles, has found herself suddenly famous. She has given birth to four little Vegriers, two boys and two girls, and the five are doing very well.

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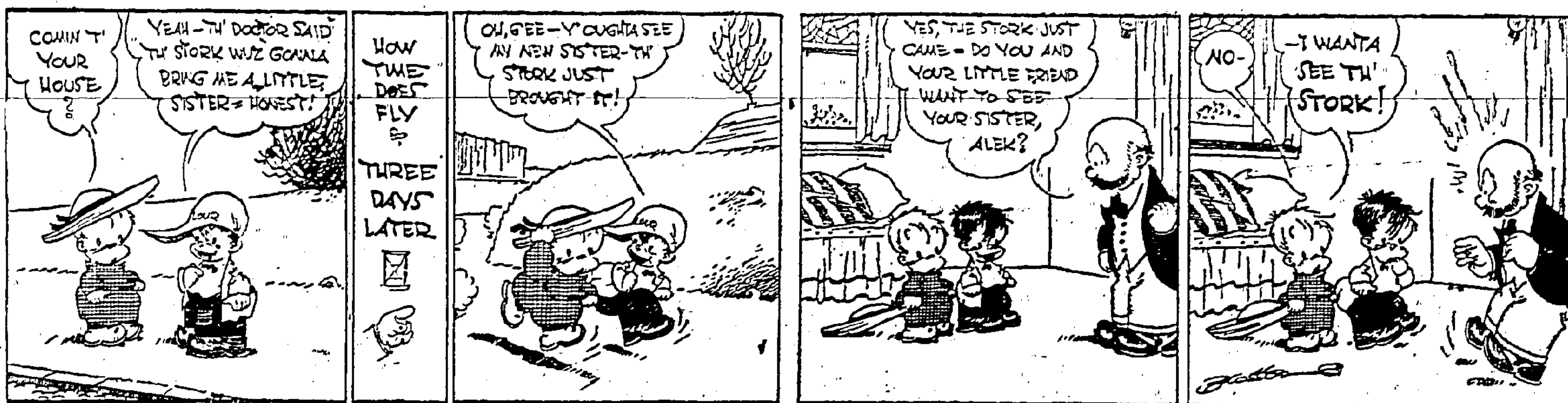
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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1921.

"SLAVERY" CASES.

Yesterday we published a report of the proceedings taken by the Police against a Chinese mistress for the ill-treatment of a purchased girl servant. The prosecution appears to have been launched as a consequence of information which was passed on to the Police by neighbours of the woman to the effect that the child had been persistently ill-treated, a circumstance that was fully borne out from the fact that on a medical examination it was discovered that the child was not only ill-nourished but was suffering from numerous bruises, etc., which necessitated her removal into hospital. The mistress, who was charged with the ill-treatment of the child, was sent to prison for a month without the option of a fine, taking occasion to point out to the court that it was the likes of her who brought disgrace to the name of the Chinese community. We are glad that the magistrate took the stand he did, and our hope is that a month's experience of the inside of the goal will teach this woman that it is a dangerous game to treat bond-servants as she had treated this one.

In addition to this case there have been one or two prosecutions of a like nature in Hongkong recently, and when the details of them reach the ears of Colonel John Ward, Mrs. Haslewood and others at Home who are taking an active interest in the "slavery" question, they assuredly will do—we imagine the campaign will take on a fresh lease of life and be further pressed home in Parliament. It is of interest in this connection to state that the latest mail from Home has brought us further questions and answers recently before the House of Commons on this subject of girl "slavery." Colonel Amery informed one questioner that a report on the question had been received from the Governor of Hongkong, but that it was not in a form that could conveniently be published, though hon. members could see it if they desired. Asked by Colonel Ward if anything had been done as a result of the report, Colonel Amery said that the Secretary of State had suggested the formation of a strong local Chinese Committee to look after these adopted children and to see that they were not ill-treated. What has become of this suggestion, we do not profess to know, but nothing public has occurred to warrant the belief that it has been acted upon. Another questioner asked in Parliament whether these girl servants receive wages for services rendered, and, if not, what safeguards exist against their being regarded and treated as slaves by their employers. The answer was that no wages were paid, the children being regarded as adopted daughters of the house, Colonel Amery adding that their status was well understood and that in cases of ill-treatment they are removed.

Now, in our opinion, there is nothing either very convincing or satisfying in these and the other official replies that have been given in Parliament on this "slavery" question. As to the status of these girl servants, it is sheer camouflage to paint them as "adopted daughters of the house." Are they ever treated in the smallest degree as members of the family? Of course, they are not. The plain fact is that they are purchased (not adopted) children, bought for the specific purpose of being employed on domestic household work which no daughter would ever be expected to discharge. And not only are they bought, but they are often sold by their purchasers. There is therefore no analogy whatever between their case and that of children who are adopted into families in Europe and brought up as members of the household. Then there is the question of their ill-treatment. It is all very nice to say that when these poor girls are improperly handled they are removed. But what percentage of cases of cruelty ever become known to the police or the public? Kept in close confinement, how do we know how they are treated? Occasionally a case comes into Court, and when that happens it tempts us to reflect on the probability of far more instances of cruelty than ever become known. "Slavery" is a term capable of so many interpretations that it all depends on the viewpoint whether this local system can be so described. But we say unhesitatingly that, slavery or no slavery, it is a system open to abuses of a character repugnant to any Britisher who values the fair name of his national traditions. If it cannot be abolished, then it certainly ought to be under a far more searching measure of control than it now is.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

The Recent Cruelty Case.

The recent case at the Police Court in which a man was found guilty of the brutal murder of two dogs with a bamboo pole, and in which the Magistrate thought fit to impose the paltry fine of \$3, calls attention to the utter inadequacy of an existing organisation to deal with cruelty cases. Cruelty to animals in Hongkong is a matter in which we have often interested ourselves but there is a seeming apathy on this question that does not do the people of this Colony a great deal of credit. A writer in the *China Mail* on Saturday, in referring to the case under notice, asked what had become of the local branch of the Society which was formed a year or so ago. To the best of our knowledge no local branch was formed last year, though the desirability of forming a branch cannot be questioned. The position, according to our information, is that there has been in existence for many years a local Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals but of late it has been completely inactive. The only evidence of its existence is a small cash balance standing in its name at the Bank. There have been numerous talks of reorganising it and corresponding to two influential residents with a view to reorganising it and putting it on a sound and active working basis. But the preliminaries have generally come to naught. Lady Stubbs was most interested in the matter and we know that about a year ago she endeavoured to arouse public opinion. Dr. Gibson and Mr. S. C. B. Ross were also assisting and His Excellency the Governor promised his patronage to any reorganised body.

What is Needed.

Surely, there is sufficient public spirit in the Colony to get something started and sufficient money should be forthcoming to employ a permanent Inspector, whose whole time task would be to prevent much of the cruelty that now takes place. The Police can do their part, but they have sufficient other duties. This task needs special treatment; it needs a live Society and a live Inspector—a man whose enthusiasm would be officially supported. It has been suggested that the educational side of such a question is of far more importance than the punitive side, and with this there will be general agreement. The need is to arouse the public—native and foreign—to a little thought and consideration. This could be done in part by street placards in English and Chinese explaining how unnecessary cruelty is caused. Let every foreign resident provide his other market coolie with a chicken basket in which to bring home fowls from the market; let an Inspector be posted at the market exits to see that coolies are taught the best way of handling livestock of all descriptions; and let Europeans who see cases of cruelty happening cultivate the habit of giving a little friendly guidance. It has further been suggested that educational talks on the subject should be given in all our schools, and in this latter direction a great deal of good could be done. The Press of the Colony has hammered away at this subject long enough; it is high time that sentiment was transformed into action. We can promise any moving spirits in the matter our heartiest co-operation.

The Cost of Cigar Smoking.

A discussion once occurred—probably it has occurred a good many times—as to who has the distinction of having smoked the most expensive cigars. King Edward, the Duke of Westminster, and sundry members of the Vanderbilt family were mentioned as likely candidates, the cost being estimated at approximately a guinea each (pre-war prices). It was then discovered that one of the company engaged in the discussion, a junior clerk in a merchant's office, had experienced a more expensive smoke than this, although using the domestic pipe instead of the lordly cigar. Putting a smouldering "cutty" into his new overcoat, which was hanging on a peg, he discovered an hour or two later that the garment had been ruined. This is eclipsed by a case recorded in the latest *London papers* to hand. As it concerns a mariner, who would obtain his smoking materials duty free, the primary cost of the cigar was doubtless trifling, but it has been expanded by \$50 as the result of a fine.

DAY BY DAY.

IN ORDER TO KNOW THE VALUE OF MONEY A MAN MUST BE OBLIGED TO BORROW.—*French Proverb.*

Owing to pressure on our advertising space, some public notices will be found on Page 12.

Lady Stubbs is to distribute the prizes at the Belkiss Public School at 11.30 a.m. on February 1st. The function takes place at Queen's College.

The Dockyard Recreation Club and the Musketry Staff met in the Rifle League at Tai Hang range on Saturday, when the latter was by nine points—822 to 813.

Madame Louise Gordon informs us that the financial result of her charity concert will be announced on Saturday. Ticket-sellers are requested to leave their returns at Moutrie's by Thursday morning.

Mr. T. L. Perkins, accompanied by Mrs. Perkins, arrived back from leave by the Cap Finisterre yesterday, and is now acting as Director of Public Works. Mr. H. C. Lowick, of the P.W.D., also returned by the same boat.

H. E. the Governor is to distribute prizes and medals in connection with the Hongkong and Kowloon Poor Boys' Free Schools and Chung Sing Free Night School at the Tsang Fao School (Kowloon City) on Wednesday afternoon.

A full programme of various events arranged by the St. Andrew's Church Men's Association is to be presented at the first annual general meeting of the Association which is being held in the Church Hall at 8.45 p.m. on Thursday.

Last week's health return shows two fatal cases of cerebro-spinal fever, two cases of diphtheria (one fatal), two non-fatal occurrences of enteric and one fatal case each of plague and small-pox. All were Chinese excepting the enteric cases, in which the sufferers were an Indian and a Britisher. There were five Chinese deaths from influenza.

Seven Chinese, alleged to have been engaged to smuggle a large quantity of opium into the Colony from Swatow, were brought up before the Magistrate this morning as the result of the discovery and seizure of the drug on a fishing junk off Lamma Island on Sunday. Over 1,675 taels of prepared opium and 60 taels of the drug in the raw state, represented the extent of the windfall for the Government resulting from this seizure which had its hearing before the Magistrate this morning. The prisoners were remanded on the application of Mr. J. M. Hall, who appeared for the defence.

A Seattle message says:—Sixty million firecrackers will be manufactured by a Seattle company in China to help young America celebrate the 1921 Independence Day. This was the announcement of W. E. Priestly, Secretary of the Hitt Fireworks Company, on his return from Hongkong, where he installed a new factory in an old hospital building just purchased by the company from the English authorities there. The output for the next July 4 celebration will be sixty million small and large firecrackers to be shipped to Seattle and New York, while advance orders have already been received for twice that number of fire-works for the 1922 season.

The cigar in question thus became a luxury indulgence; but the cost to the individual, one Kemmel Olsen, mate of a oil-tank steamer, is but a drop in the ocean compared with the sum that might have been involved in case of a conflagration. The tanker which had 10,000 tons of benzol on board, was discharging the spirit at Grays, and, as the wharf manager stated, there was sufficient of the inflammable fluid "to spread destruction from London to Southend." It is hard to find a name for such an insane act. The extent of the potential damage was literally incalculable, in life as well as property. The mate may consider himself fortunate that his cigar cost him no more than £50 odd.

SKIPPER'S CLAIM.

Alleged Wrongful Dismissal.

An interesting suit was heard yesterday in the Summary Court, before His Honour Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, in which Captain H. P. Robertson claimed from the owners of the s.s. Haitan \$1,440 for three months' salary at the rate of \$480 a month, in lieu of notice, due to him as damages in respect of his wrongful dismissal on November 4th last as master of the s.s. Haitan. The plaintiff waived the sum of \$440 to bring the action within the Summary jurisdiction of the Court. He, therefore, in reality claimed \$1,000 and costs of the action.

Mr. W. B. Hind represented the plaintiff and Mr. D. J. Lewis the defendants.

Captain Robertson said that he was engaged by Messrs. Snowman and Co., as agents of the s.s. Haitan in April, 1920. He proceeded to Singapore to join the ship. His wages amounted to \$480. He was dismissed in Hongkong on November 4th last: without notice.

Cross-examined by Mr. Lewis, he said that this was not his first command.

I take it that you realise your responsibilities, being eight or nine years' a master?—Yes.

I take it that you are perfectly acquainted with Form "N." Here we have in the log book for the information of captains and ship-masters a summary of the laws. I have never seen this before.

The first note on this reads as follows:—"All official logs must be properly kept. The importance of keeping this book properly and making all the entries in proper time cannot be too strongly impressed on ship-masters." It goes on to say:—"Neglect to do this will subject them to serious penalties. They prevent discipline from being maintained." You agree with that?—Yes.

You were in command of the Haitan from April 9th to October 26th. During that time how often did you inspect the life-boats and other appliances?—That was done weekly.

Are you absolutely sure of that?—Quite.

In the index to the entries in the official log book one of the things you have to enter is boat drill practice. There is a proper page for the making of this entry?—Yes.

And I suppose you know that under the Merchant Shipping Act you are required to make at once an entry after every inspection of life appliances in the official log book?—This is very often not done at the moment.

Mr. Lewis read the section of the Merchant Shipping Act, in which it was laid down that the master of the ship failing to make the entry would be liable to a fine not exceeding £3.

The plaintiff admitted that the last entry as to boat drills was made on June 16th. Inspections subsequent to June 16th were held but not entered. If he were liable for a penalty of £3 for each time he committed the offence the plaintiff stated he was prepared to foot it.

Mr. Lewis read an extract from the Merchant Shipping Act to show the grave responsibility of the master in the matter of making entries.

Now, Captain Robertson, the official log book has Section 436, Sub-section 3 of the Merchant Shipping Act reproduced, which states that the master of every sea-going vessel shall on her leaving for dock or proceeding to sea record her draft of water and shall produce it to an officer whenever required, and if he fails to do so shall be liable to a penalty of £20. You are acquainted with that?—Yes.

During the time you were master of the Haitan you left twenty to thirty ports, while in the log book there are only three entries?—If I may explain, the official log book is filled in by the Chief Officer. If I was not discharged summarily I would have filled it up.

Pardon me, you cannot fill it now?—You can. It can be filled by the deck log.

You cannot fill it from the deck log, Section 214 states:—"If any person makes or causes to be made in any log book any entries more than forty hours after the occurrence he shall be liable to a fine of £40." Hongkong was your last port of discharge. You arrived in Hongkong on September 24th and yet were not discharged until November 4th—more than a month—and there are only three entries as to draft of water in the log. You left Singapore July 23rd.

Please find the entry from the deck log—Where is my other log?—That is the log that you hand to the owners.—It is not. It is not even signed by me.

Is the scrap log signed by you? Show me a single signature.—It is not signed, I beg your pardon. It is not signed on a single page.

His Lordship:—Did you say that that you complied with these sections for life-saving and boat drills in the log?—We generally put it in the deck log. That is the deck log (pointing to another log).

Mr. Lewis:—As a matter of fact what the Court clerk has is the deck log, and the one in the plaintiff's hand is the scrap log.

Plaintiff:—The deck log as far as I know is kept by the Chief Officer.

His Lordship:—You produce this as the most complete record you have?—Yes, it is a pencil record; it is not kept in ink. It is filled in by the Chief Officer.

Mr. Lewis:—Now, tell me, who is responsible for the Chief Officer's faults?—I am.

If the Chief Officer does not do his duty then you are guilty of lack of discipline?—If the ship is travelling from port to port the Chief Officer is responsible for his duties. These log books are brought to us weekly and the usual thing is for us to sign them.

And you know that these log books are of the utmost importance to the owners. The deck log book has to be written in ink and handed over to the owners or charterers?—In the ordinary course of events we have to hand it to the Board of Trade.

Mr. Lewis pointed out that the clause in the charter party entitled the charterer to the deck log book for inspection. There was a legal dispute between the solicitors as to whether the charterer was entitled to the inspection of the log book.

Mr. Lewis:—Is it not the usual clause in the charter party that the charterer should have inspection of the deck log?—I am very unusual.

Mr. Lewis:—I will get half a dozen charter parties to prove it. The usual thing is that the owners get an extract of the log. They do not see the log. Nobody is allowed to see the log except the Board of Trade, or the actual owner. It is a legal document.

In what sense is it a legal document?—Any document in the possession of the ship is a legal document.

I suppose you know that disputes frequently arise between charterers and owners, and these disputes are referred to arbitration, as a result of a clause in the charter party?—That is a wide question. I believe it is so.

The deck log is of vital importance to the owners?—Yes. It is also of vital importance to the charterers.

Now, take the deck log again. What is the last date in that?—September 14th is the last entry. Although you arrived in the Colony on September 21st, the copy required by the owners is not written up after the 14th.

The plaintiff stated that he received orders on September 23rd to move to the Kowloon Docks for repairs. In due course, he proceeded to the Docks and he was there until the time he was dismissed. There was not a single entry made between September 26th and the time he was dismissed. When a ship was in dock everybody had his various duties, and as a rule the log was left alone and entered once a week. There were four weeks not entered up. It was the fault of the Chief Officer.

Apparently no log was kept about this time. The departure from one port to another had to be entered in the log. For practically most of the time the Chief Officer was discharged and the second officer went to another ship.

The Chief Officer was dismissed, and almost immediately another man was put in?—No.

Was not Gross acting Chief Officer? You had a Chief Officer on board whose duty was to bring the log book up to date?—It is not my duty to see that it is done. Had Snowman not discharged me, then this log book would have been kept to date.

You have been in the regular run on Jardine and B. and S. boats. Are logs kept in that way?—I am very sorry to say that the average officer that one gets out very often finds it very difficult to do all this.

Do you know that Jardine's or Butterfield's will not stand this if it is done on their vessels?

His Lordship:—You think that these books have been kept with ordinary care?—Yes, up to the time I was discharged.

Plaintiff stated that he knew when the ship was taken to the Kowloon Docks it was for repairs. He did not know that Messrs. Snowman and Co. obtained tenders from the Kowloon Docks for the work. The ship was registered in Hongkong and the owners were also in Hongkong. Messrs. Snowman and Co., were at all times agents for the owners.

You asked Ah Yau to do some work. Did you ask Snowman and Co.'s authority before you ordered it?—No. I did not obtain even the owner's authority for the work done by Ah Yau. I obtained a tender from Ah Yau for the work.

After you were dismissed you signed bills?—No. I would not be such a big fool.

Well, you have signed bills?—Yes, as far as I remember the total amount of the bills that I signed was \$22,000 or \$23,000.

Rather a big sum of money?—Not a large sum of money when a ship needs it.

One of the items in the bill was putting wooden awnings instead of canvas awnings. Would wooden awnings not make the ship top-heavy?—No.

Then you do not agree with other shipping authorities?—No. Would you be surprised to hear that the owners have had to remove these wooden awnings?—I would be surprised, as the ship has already left with them.

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The plaintiff explained that the canvas used to be blown away and there were continual complaints from the passengers that they could not be kept warm. He did not think it was necessary to report this to the agents. He had the saloon painted all burnt away for the benefit of the Chinese passengers. He also had the closets renovated.

Now, don't you think that was a matter which you should have immediately brought to the notice of the owners?—Well, I thought that the ship was undergoing thorough overhaul, and these things should have been attended to. I admit that I did not take it to the agents.

You knew very well that she was undergoing overhaul by the Dock Company. Why did you order these from a Chinese contractor? Why not order them from the Dock Company?—As a rule I took it to an outside contractor. As far as I can make out, the owners of the ship wanted to do as little as possible. I wanted to get the ship in a clean sanitary condition, and for that I was discharged.

Mr. Gray, of Messrs. Snowman and Co., was sent to fetch the bills that plaintiff had signed.

Mr. Lewis (to plaintiff):—Take these bills of Ah Yau. The date underneath the second bill is November 3rd. Was that not signed by you after you were dismissed?—I had to sign these bills.

Although you told us a little while ago that you did not sign these bills after you were dismissed. You are aware that a master of a ship is an agent of necessity for his owner and as such agent of necessity he is entitled when the ship is in foreign port to order what is strictly necessary to enable the ship to proceed on her next voyage. And you are aware that the captain is not agent for the owner in his own port?—Yes. You do not think I am a fool.

And, therefore, you had no authority to order these things?—I differ from you.

You knew perfectly well at the time when you ordered this work that you did not even have the authority to order things?—Quite so. I simply ordered the work for the good of the ship. If I may say so, the great point they have against me is that they chipped the vessel in fourteen places.

You know that before the ship is put to sea she has to pass the Hongkong Government's test. It is not for you to interfere?—On the last trip she was allowed to go for only one trip, and she came back to Hongkong for overhaul.

His Lordship:—Why should the agents not deal with Ah Yau?—I got Ah Yau to do this work, knowing that if it was left to Snowman and Co. it would not be done.

The witness said that the work he had ordered was for the safety of the ship. Asked as to whether he considered Chinese gliding of the saloon, chipping and painting all the saloons, etc., for the safety of the ship, he answered that it was done from the sanitary point of view.

The hearing was adjourned until Friday.

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If any farce can produce sixty laughs a minute we should think it would be the one which the Denniston Players staged on the opening of their season at the Theatre Royal last night. "She Walked in Her Sleep" comprises three acts of the funniest complications we have seen for many a long day, and the large audience present simply laughed itself sore. The scenes are laid in a New York hotel, amongst the residents in which is one Daphne Arnold who has a habit of walking in her sleep, clad in the flimsiest of attire, invading the rooms of other folk, particularly the apartments of a young bridegroom (Charlie Prescott), from which, incidentally, she walks off with a priceless phial of explosives ten times more powerful than dynamite. Complications arise from the fact that this young somnambulist has a knack of clinging to the necks of any and every man she encounters on her nocturnal wanderings, and as Charlie and his married chum William Bruce, whilst engaged at night in discussing the commercial possibilities of the new explosive, receive attentions of this character, added to which is the fact that Daphne leaves various feminine articles in the former's apartment, the situation which meets these two when they are confronted by their jealous wives may be imagined. There are many other mix-ups also, so that it is a very tangled state of affairs that has to be straightened out in the end. The manner in which the Denniston Players staged the play could hardly be bettered. Chief amongst the fun-makers were Mr. Leo Kennedy and Mr. W. Vaughan Morgan, as the husbands, Miss Wanda Howard and Miss Pressy Preston as the wives, together with Miss Shirley Huxley as the sleep-walker, and Miss Florence Chapman as the servant girl Mamie. The last named was a scream in everything that she did, whilst others who also kept the humour going were Miss Valentine Sidney, Mr. David Selbridge, Mr. W. D. Howard and Mr. Reginald Wykeham.

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(By "Mercator.")

I have once more to complain of a lack of material upon which to hang my week's commercial article. Nothing fresh has transpired since my last screed, and although things are awfully dull in the local business world the general opinion is that they will begin to brighten up soon. The lowering of prices continues steadily in the wholesale export markets, but reductions in the retail markets have not yet begun to reflect the movement. The buying which was expected to develop as a result of the recessions has not yet disclosed itself principally because the dealers are saddled with stocks of goods purchased at very high prices, and very few are in the position, as I pointed out last week, of averaging their stock values. Reuter during the week told us how the workers in many American and English mills are accepting lower wages, and the frequency with which offers are made to accept reductions in wages is indicative of the progress which deflation is making. The downward trend of prices in primary and wholesale markets is more pronounced than ever, a feature of the movement being the announcement of price reductions by a number of the leading woollen cotton and other manufacturers. The belief is that commodity prices will still go lower before there is any substantial recovery. There are apparently no illusions as to the temporary character of such recovery as there may be. A stabilization or upward movement at or from present prices would probably represent merely a temporary buying period to be ended as soon as necessities are acquired. The sustained healthful buying movement sure to arrive eventually is apparently waiting for more stabilized levels.

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demoralising effect upon the silver market.

This is the time of the year when the Chinese abroad send their savings home for investment. In the ordinary way these remittances serve to buck Exchange up, but this year with a fluctuating silver market the effect has been lost. During the past week there has been coming through the Hongkong banks something like three to four lakhs of dollars from the Chinese abroad for their people. It is not expected that the remittances will be on the level of previous years as the economic depression and the reported losses of the Chinese in the Straits Settlements and elsewhere will thin the volume of their savings.

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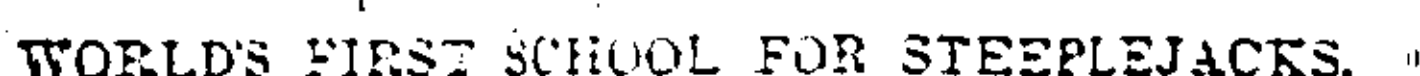
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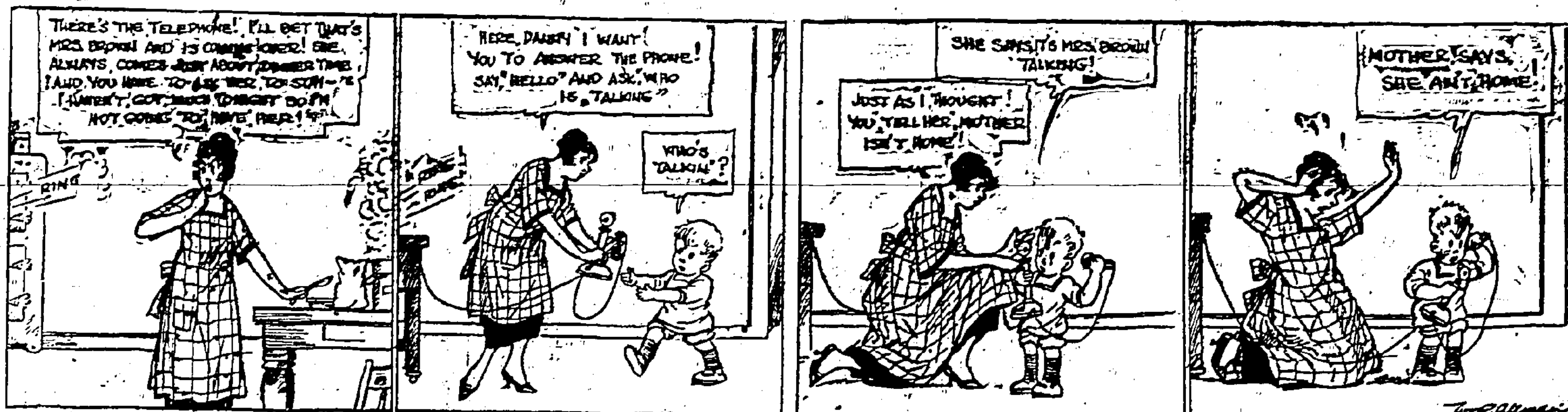
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JAPAN	6,000	28th Jan.	Shanghai & Japan.
DUNERA	5,400	31st Jan.	Shanghai only.
LAHORE	5,300	31st Jan.	Shanghai & Japan.
KANOWNA	7,000	31st Jan.	Japan direct.

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KAGA MARU ... Friday, 11th Feb., at 11 a.m. YOKOHAMA MARU ... Friday, 18th Feb., at 11 a.m. HAMBURG, AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ROTTERDAM.

LISEON MARU ... Thursday, 10th February.

LIVERPOOL & MARSEILLES via Suez.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Townsville & Brisbane.

AKI MARU ... Tuesday, 15th Feb., at 11 a.m.

TANGO MARU ... Tuesday, 22nd Mar., at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK via Suez.

TOYOHASHI MARU ... End of February.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.

KANAGAWA M. (Sailing from Singapore) Tuesday, 1st March.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO via Singapore.

KAWACHI MARU ... Wednesday, 26th January.

TSUSHIMA MARU ... Monday, 14th February.

CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.

BANUKI MARU ... Thursday, 3rd February.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.

TANGO MARU ... Tuesday, 15th Feb., at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

BOMBAY MARU ... Friday, 23rd January.

MISHIMA MARU ... Wednesday, 2nd Feb., at 11 a.m.

SADO MARU ... Sunday, 20th February, at 11 a.m.

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Vessel	Due Hongkong.
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Vessel	Leaves Hongkong.	Discharges.
"GLENLUCE"	4th Feb.	GENOA, LONDON & ROTTERDAM.
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Destination	Steamer	Sailing
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Takong	Wed. 26th Jan. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Hopsang	Thur. 27th Jan. at d'light
MANILA	Yuenang	Fri. 28th Jan. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Yuenang	Sun. 30th Jan. at d'light
STRAITS & Calcutta	Namsang	Tues. 1st Feb. at 2 p.m.

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CALCUTTA LINE.

S.S. "NAMSANG" will be despatched on or about Tuesday, 1st Feb., at 2 p.m. for SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.

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For	Steamers	To Sail
MANILA, CEBU & HOLO	Shensi	26th Jan. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Nanning	27th Jan. at noon
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Hanyang	29th Jan. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	Yingchow	29th Jan. at 4 p.m.
PAKHAI & HAIPHONG	Kailong	30th Jan. at 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Chenlu	1st Feb. at 9 a.m.
AMOY, SHAI & FUKOW	Szechuen	1st Feb. at noon

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Steamships	Captain	Leaving
Haiching	A. H. Stewart	WED. 26th Jan. at noon
Haichong	W. C. Pasmore	SUN. 30th Jan. at noon
Haichong	J. S. Thomson	TUES. 1st Feb. at noon

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The N.Y.K. s.s. MISHIMA M. (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 24th Dec. and is expected here on the 1st February.

The Admiral Line s.s. PAWLET is due to arrive here from Portland, Ore. via ports on or about March 7th.

The A. L. s.s. ABERCOS is due to arrive here from Portland, Ore. via ports on or about Jan. 31st.

The A. L. s.s. ELDRIDGE is due to arrive here from Seattle, Wash. via ports on or about February 26th.

The B. L. s.s. DUQUESNE is due to arrive here from New York via ports on or about Feb. 2nd. The Admiral Line, Agents.

The B. L. s.s. SATSUMA is due to arrive here from New York via ports on or about Feb. 15th. The Admiral Line, Agents.

The B. L. s.s. SCAODACK is due to arrive here from New York via ports on or about Jan. 25th. The Admiral Line, Agents.

The s.s. TEIRESIAS (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez on 13th inst. for Hongkong and is due here on 5th February.

The T. K. K. s.s. SHINYO M. arrived at Yokohama on the 16th instant and sails on the 18th instant, being due at Hongkong on the 30th January.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA, left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports, Shanghai and Manila, on the 3rd Jan. and is due here on or about the 4th February.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAWACHI MARU (Bombay Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji on the 15th January and is expected here on the 25th January.

The R. M. S. MONTEAGLE arrived at Yokohama on 16th January, left there 17th January, and is due at Vancouver on 31st January.

The s.s. JAPAN left Singapore for this port on the 21st instant at Morning and is due here on the 26th January.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAWACHI M. (Bombay Line) left Moji for this port on the 21st Jan. and is expected here on the 26th Jan.

The N. Y. K. s.s. BOMBAY M. (Calcutta Line) left Singapore for this port on the 22nd Jan. and is expected here on the 30th Jan.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF ASIA, arrived at Yokohama on 21st January, left there 22nd Jan., and is due at Vancouver on 31st January.

The s.s. GAELIC PRINCE, is expected to arrive here from Manila, on Wednesday, 26th inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. KIYO M. arrived at Moji on the 23rd inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. TENYO M. arrived at Yokohama on the 22nd instant and sails 24th instant, in accordance with schedule, for Honolulu and San Francisco.

The C. M. s.s. NILE, will sail for San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki and Yokohama on Thursday, January 27th Jan., at noon.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

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The following Unclaimed Telegrams are lying here—

Loonon Kenghoear, from Amoy.
Joehchonghing, from Yokohama.
Kyoko, from Osaka.

Charles Hubbard, Hongkong Hotel, from Kobe.
Yuenhing Yunglootook Central, from Amoy.

De La Rue Passenger Delta, from Shanghai.
Paramore, s.s. Hwabith c/o Grimble & Co. from Shanghai.

Wainong Co. Post-Box 642, from Peking.
Hungyubing, 130 Taitung Hotel, from Peking.

Hongkong c/o Vayonlaw, Das Voeux Road W., from Shanghai.
Hopaning, Suhong Street, from Shanghai.

Chuangtaile c/o Namchuen, from Peking.
Persenico c/o International Bank, from Yokohama.

Changyick Tungyck, from Shanghai.
T. KRINO Superintendent.

Hongkong, Jan. 20, 1921.
EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.

Borboletan, from Calcutta.
Young, from Singapore.

M. E. F. AIRRY, Superintendent.
Hongkong, Jan. 20, 1921.

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RUGBY.

Club v. Navy.

For this match the Navy team was not advertised, but turned out at full strength, the 15 being kept in port though the ships were out. The Club team turned out as chosen, with the exception of Wilson for McCann.

The Navy won the toss and Wilson kicked off for the Club from the Civil Service end. Play at once settled down in the middle of the field and neither side had any advantage for some time. It soon became apparent that the Navy had a splendid pair of halves and they were quite in another class from the Club pair on Saturday's showing, getting the ball well out to the three quarters on most occasions. Hancock was the outstanding Navy back, but Lt. Freeman on the other wing played an exceptionally strong forcing game.

The first try was scored by the Navy. Hancock running nearly half the length of field and touching down near the corner flag. This score was unconverted but was followed soon after by another try which, however, might have been given a "bold up." This was also unconverted and the score stood—Navy, 6 points; Club, 0.

Alabaster now replaced Wallace at back and this change forced play into the Navy territory. The play of the Club three improved considerably and they had hard luck on several occasions. On the Navy side, Gilbert and Carrie among the forwards were outstanding at this stage and it was not surprising when just after half-time the Navy again got across the Club's line.

On the Club side, Wilson and Baxter were playing a hard and forcing game, while Cooper made occasional bursts. Jordan of the Club had hard luck on one occasion and might have got through; he was magnificently tackled by Beech, the Navy full back, who was playing a perfect game and clearing easily. The Club forwards' dribbling was much better than the Navy's, but

their passing was weak and faulty, with the result that the Navy's inside right three, Lindell, intercepted a pass beautifully and outstripping the whole field scored between the posts. Carrie took the kick but missed. However, he made no mistake with the next kick, after a second try by Hancock. It was well out and the most difficult kick of the afternoon but he got it splendidly between the posts. The score now read 14-0 in favour of the sailors.

After another score, unconverted, by the Navy, Ralston, the Club captain, came out of the pack and played extra three quarters. This helped considerably and Wallace gaining possession kicked over the backs' head and Smyth following up well got across right between the posts. This was the Club's only score of the match. Wallace took the kick and missed by inches. The Navy are now in on unbeatable position, for the Cup having defeated both the Club and the Army.

Captain Murray, I.M.S., controlled the game very efficiently. The teams were:—
Navy:—Lieut. Beech; Lieut. Hancock, Lieut. Lindell, Lt. Freeman, and Lieut. D'Arbi; Lieut. Gilbert, Lieut. Laughton, Mid. Morgan, Lieut. Harvey, Lieut. Crawford, Lieut. Curtis, Lieut. Thorne and Lieut. Carrie.
Club:—A.M.D. Wallace; D. Logan, G.A.V. Hall, J.W. Alabaster and S. Jordan; V.G. Smyth and G. Roberts; G. Tinson, H.G. Baxter, H. F. Wilson, N. Macnamara, N. Harper, A. T. Lamplugh, C. J. Cooper and J. Ralston (capt.)

One lot of Crown land registered at the Land Surveyor's Office as Rural Building lot No. 16 Pokfulam, was yesterday sold by public auction at the Public Works Department at the upset figure \$990. Miss Wallace, of No. 10, Queen's Gardens, was the purchaser, the property being 16,500 square feet in extent, and held under a lease of 75 years, at the annual Crown rent of \$56.

POST OFFICE.

Telegraphic communication with Gap Rock Lighthouse is interrupted.

INWARD MAILS.

Shanghai—Per NINGPO, 25th Jan.
Japan—Per KAWACHI M., 26th Jan.
Straits—Per JAPAN, 26th Jan.
Europe via Suez (Letters only London 23rd Dec.)—Per GLENAMOEY, 28th Jan.
Straits and Calcutta—Per BOMBAY M., 30th Jan.

OUTWARD MAILS.

To-morrow.

Shanghai and N. China—Per ACHILLES, 3 p.m.
Shanghai and N. China—Per FOOCHEW, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai and N. China—Per HOPSANG, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAICHING, 11 a.m.
Straits & Bangkok—Per HAITAN, noon.
Philippine Is.—Per SHANSI, 2 p.m.
Hsinow & Haiphong—Per TASHANG, 9 a.m.
Shanghai, N. China, Japan via Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central, & South America & Europe via Victoria B.C.—Per KASHIMA M., Reg. 8.15 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, N. China, Japan, Canada, United States, C. & S. America & Europe via Vancouver B.C.—Per EMPRESS OF JAPAN, Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

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Open Billiard Championship of the Colony.

Entries for the above Championship closes on the 26th inst. 6 p.m. to the Hon. Secretary. Entrance fee \$2.

Competitors are also requested to attend at the Club on the 26th.

R. C. WITCHELL,
Hon. Secretary.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on MONDAY, 7th February 1921, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 25th January to 7th February 1921, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 18th January, 1921.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Thirty-fourth Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, February 4th, 1921, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1920.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be Closed from Tuesday, January 25th, 1921, to Friday, February 4th, 1921, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors.

W. S. BROWN,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1921.